

Senate File 312 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the annual registration fee for certain
2 vehicles owned by a volunteer fire fighter.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.109, Code 2023, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. *a.* Notwithstanding subsection 1 or any
4 other provision of law to the contrary, if a volunteer fire
5 fighter, as defined in section 85.61, meets the criteria set
6 forth in paragraph "b", the annual registration fee of one
7 vehicle displaying special registration plates issued pursuant
8 to section 321.34, subsection 10, and owned by the volunteer
9 fire fighter shall not exceed one hundred dollars. The annual
10 registration fee for no more than one vehicle per household is
11 eligible for this limitation.

12 *b.* A volunteer fire fighter qualifies for the benefit
13 provided in paragraph "a" if the volunteer fire fighter meets
14 all of the following criteria:

15 (1) The person has served at least five years as a volunteer
16 fire fighter.

17 (2) The person's compensation is less than five thousand
18 dollars per year for service as a volunteer fire fighter.

19 (3) The person actively attends and participates in monthly
20 meetings, trainings, responses, and other duties as determined
21 by the public entity that the person serves.

22 (4) The person meets any additional requirements
23 established by the public entity that the person serves.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill limits the annual registration fee for a vehicle
28 displaying fire fighter special registration plates and owned
29 by an eligible volunteer fire fighter to \$100. The limited
30 annual registration fee applies to only one vehicle per
31 household. In order to qualify, the volunteer fire fighter
32 must have served for at least five years, receive compensation
33 of less than \$5,000 per year for service as a volunteer fire
34 fighter, actively attend and participate in monthly meetings,
35 trainings, responses, and other duties, and meet any additional

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1 requirements established by the public entity that the
2 volunteer fire fighter serves.